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SUBJ: REQUEST FOR APPOINTMENT FOR U.S. BUSINESSMAN

FOR ECONOMIC COUNSELOR BREWIN FROM RAU

1. CHARLES B. O'KEEFE, JR., CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR WASHINGTON AREA OFFICE OF ELECTRO-NUCLEONICS INC., FAIRFIELD, N.J., WOULD LIKE YOUR ASSISTANCE OR SCIENCE ATTACHE CHAPMAN IN ARRANGING APPOINTMENT FOR HIM WITH APPROPRIATE IRANIAN GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL FOR POSSIBLE JOINT VENTURE BETWEEN GOI AND HIS COMPANY. O'KEEFE PLANS TAKE IRAN AIR FLIGHT ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 23 AND WOULD LIKE TO MEET WITH YOU THAT MORNING OR AFTERNOON. IF POSSIBLE, WOULD LIKE TO HAVE APPOINTMENT WITH GOI OFFICIAL ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 25.

2. JOINT VENTURE PROPOSAL INVOLVES MANUFACTURING OR ASSEMBLING MEDICAL LAB DEVICE CALLED HEMATRON WHICH ELECTRO-NUCLEONICS WILL BEGIN MANUFACTURING IN CONTINENTAL U.S. IN MARCH, 1975. PROPOSED IRANIAN JOINT VENTURE WOULD HAVE EXCLUSIVE MARKETING RIGHTS FOR HEMATRON IN EUROPE USING EXTANT ELECTRO-NUCLEONICS MARKETING ORGANIZATION IN EUROPE. HEMATRON IS ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY MACHINE USED IN MEDICAL LABORATORIES AND HOSPITALS FOR

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SOPHISTICATED ANALYSIS BLOOD CELLS.

3. ACCORDING O'KEEFE, SECONDARY PURPOSE FOR COMPANY'S
DESIRE ESTABLISH JOINT VENTURE WITH GOI IS POSSIBLE
NUCLEAR COLLABORATION WITH IRAN AT SOME FUTURE DATE
WHEN AND IF USAEC ALLOWS EXPORT OF COMMERCIAL-
PRODUCED NUCLEAR FUELS. ELECTRO - NUCLEONICS CURRENTLY ENGAGED
IN ADVANCED RESEARCH FOR AEC ON GAS CENTRIFICATION, A PROCESS
IN WHICH GOI ALREADY HAS EXPRESSED CONSIDERABLE INTEREST.
ELECTRO-NUCLEONICS HAS BEEN APPROACHED BY BORKERS FOR
GOI (SPECIFICALLY BROTHER OF SHAH PAHLEVI) FOR GOI
INVESTMENT IN COMPANY. ELECTRO-NUCLEONICS CURRENTLY
IN CONGLOMERATE WITH ATLANTIC RICHFIELD TO ESTABLISH
PILOT GAS CENTRIFICATION PLANT IN U.S.

4. O'KEEFE IS IN KABUL VISITING FRIEND WHO IS WORLD BANK
RESREP. PLEASE REPLY SOONEST CONFIRMING TENTATIVE O'KEEFE
ARRIVAL AND APPOINTMENTS SCHEDULE.
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